

diligently offer him worship at the three diurnal

rites: may all our enemies perish*

4. He, who visible above the earth sustains the

points of the horizon, is the measurer* (of the

universe); that is the ancient abode of YAETHSTA, to

which we have access; he is our lord, like the

keeper of cattle: may all our enemies perish.

5. He who is the sustainer of the worlds, who

knows the hidden and secret names of the (solar)

rays, he is the sage who cherishes the acts of sages,

as the heaven cherishes numerous forms: may aB

our enemies perish.

6. In whom all pious acts are concentrated, like

the nave in the (centre of the) wheel, worship him

quickly who abides in the three worlds; as men

assemble the cattle in their pasture, so do (our foes)

collect their horses (to assail us): may all our enemies

perish.

7. He who, passing amidst those (regions¹ of the

firmament), gives refuge to all their races, and all

the deities precede the chariot of VAUTJNA, when

manifesting his glories to perform his worship : may

all our enemies perish.¹

¹ The commentary here is defective, and the

passage very
ohscure; the translation is not "entitled to any
reliance. [Query,
"who going through tlxcse regions (of space) rests
on all their
tribes, surrounding all homes,—all the gods are
engaged in
worship before Yaruna's dwelling; may all our
enemies perish.'⁷]

* Sayana explains *mdtd* by *nirmtdtd*, "the
maker."